Pre-Fall 2013 Requirements

The Indiana University Department of Information and Library Science has updated the requirements for the Master of Library Science degree program – effective Fall 2013.

Please scroll to the second page of this document for the Pre-Fall 2013 degree requirements for this dual degree or specialization.
Specializations within Masters Degrees

African Studies Librarianship Specialization and Master of Library Science

This curriculum has been approved effective Fall 2010. Candidates in this Specialization will receive the MLS degree and the African Studies Librarianship Specialization which will be noted on the transcript. Students in this Specialization will complete the following requirements:

Students in this specialization program will complete the listed requirements that will total 45 credits.

*The MLS curriculum is being updated to help students stay current. We will be updating this page with the new requirements. As an interim tool, please use this MLS Degree Checklist – Effective Fall 2013 for your planning. Contact your advisor or the SLIS Office with any questions.

1. Prerequisite and Requirements

**Prerequisite:**
(3 undergraduate credit hours)
Must be fulfilled before completion of 9 credit hours
S401 - Computer-Based Information Tools

**MLS Foundation:**
(Each course is 3 credit hours, for a total of 15 hours)

Choose one course from each area:
- Assist and Educate Users
  - S501 - Reference
- Develop and Manage Collections of Information Resources
  - S502 - Collection Development and Management
- Represent and Organize Information Resources
  - S503 - Representation and Organization
  - S504 - Cataloging
- Manage and Lead Libraries and Other Information Organizations
  - S551 - Library Management
  - S552 - Academic Library Management
  - S553 - Public Library Management
  - S671 - School Media
- Use Research Effectively
  - S506 - Introduction to Research
  - S519 - Evaluation of Information Systems
  - S505 - Evaluation of Resources and Services

2. Required

**SLIS courses (12 credit hours)**
Eelectives are to be chosen in consultation with the African studies area specialist in the IU Library to bring the total of SLIS credit hours to 27.

3. Specialization Requirements

A total of 18 credit hours from African studies, which must include:
- A732 Bibliography of Sub-Saharan Africa (3 cr.).
- E531 and E532 History of Africa I-II (3-3 cr.).
- Y657 African Politics (3 cr.).
- E310 Introduction to the Cultures of Africa (3 cr.).
**Related notes:**
The courses from African studies must all be taken for graduate credit. If the applicant's background already contains course work that is judged to cover any or all of the required areas listed above, suitable electives chosen in consultation with the African Studies area specialist may be substituted.

Interested applicants may apply for Foreign Language and Area Studies (FLAS) fellowships through the African Studies Program, Woodburn Hall 221, Indiana University, Bloomington, IN 47405-6000, (812) 855-6825. Students in this specialization may also be eligible for internship opportunities in the IU library.

**Additional Links**

- African Studies Program
- IU African Studies Collection/Subject Librarian
- Africana Librarians Council
- African Studies Association

**Additional Resources**

- IU Bloomington
- Maps
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